

PRESIDENT

KENTUCKY COUNCIL ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

The Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education invites nominations and applications for the position of president. The Council seeks a strong, experienced and collaborative leader to move Kentucky's colleges and universities vigorously forward in meeting Kentucky's goals of significantly increasing the number of college-educated citizens, thereby strengthening the state for greater economic growth.

For the higher education policy leader committed to positive change, there is no more interesting place today than the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Through landmark legislative acts, Kentucky has empowered the Council on Postsecondary Education to lead the state's postsecondary education system, including a statewide adult education program, to meet carefully articulated expectations (<http://www.cpe.ky.gov/planning/legislation>) in synergistic, collaborative and accountable ways. Empowered as a strong board for all postsecondary education in Kentucky, the Council has extensive coordinating responsibilities and an ambitious agenda which has attracted national attention in the last decade (<http://www.cpe.ky.gov/about/employment>).

The Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, under the leadership of its president, collaborates with the university and college presidents, the body politic, the P-12 education system and public opinion leaders toward the realization of the clearly identified and legislated goals for higher education in Kentucky.

Significant progress has been made in realizing the goals of educating more Kentuckians and bolstering economic development, yet more remains to be accomplished. Current priority initiatives include stimulating research which may be translated into economic development, creating a comprehensive funding model for higher education, improving quality and accountability, promoting seamlessness in all levels of education, strengthening the roles and responsibilities of board members and developing communication programs for state and federal legislators.

The Council on Postsecondary Education seeks:

- *A visionary, open-minded leader who can work effectively with the Council to achieve educational reform.
- *A convincing, politically astute communicator who can listen as well as advocate and persuade.
- *A consensus builder capable of marshaling support from individuals and groups with divergent viewpoints and needs, including campus, community and business leaders and elected leadership, both legislative and executive.
- *A transformational leader whose understanding of change strategies and incentives will help achieve Kentucky's educational and economic goals.

*An experienced professional whose understanding of large, complex budgeting systems can help formulate a funding model that uses appropriate and accountable strategies to reach the state's goals.

*A highly skilled executive who can ably lead CPE staff and who possesses essential presidential skills in planning, management, personnel and budgeting.

Application Process

For best consideration, applications should be submitted by March 19, 2007, and include a letter describing the candidate's interest in the position and how his or her qualifications match those described in the Position Profile (<http://www.cpe.ky.gov/about/employment>), along with the candidate's resume and the names and full contact information of at least six references. The names of all candidates will remain confidential except those who become finalists.

All applications should be submitted electronically in Microsoft Word format and addressed to the Search Chair, Mrs. Peggy Bertelsman, at:

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Preliminary inquiries may be directed to:

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Prospective candidates are invited to visit the website of the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education at <http://www.cpe.ky.gov>. Additional information may be found at <http://www.academic-search.com> under "Current Searches."



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